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1.4 (b) and (d)

¶1. (S/NF) A western physician whose professional duties include frequently consulting with members of the Saudi Royal family shared with DCM on July 11 personal information gleaned from Saudi King Abdullah bin Abdulaziz al-Saud's personal medical file, including King Abdullah's true age and current use of medication. This physician was called in to perform routine medical treatment for one of King Abdullah's wives (he has four). Upon arrival, the Royal Clinic accidentally provided this physician with the King's medical file instead of that of the wife he was to treat, giving him the opportunity to review King Abdullah's personal medical information.

¶2. (S/NF) It was related that King Abdullah is 92 years old (born 1916), he remains a heavy smoker, regularly receives hormone injections and "uses Viagra excessively." The SAG has always kept close-hold any personal information on Royal family members, including not making public statements of individual ages.

¶3. (S/NF) COMMENT. The King has been rumored to be between 82 to 87. He is in fact older if this information is correct. The King maintains a full work schedule meeting a variety of international leaders and actively involved in running the affairs of the Kingdom. We most recently saw King Abdullah a few weeks ago (Reftel) where he was quite jovial and animated, and appeared healthy. Likewise, he is expected to be active in the upcoming International Conference for Interfaith Dialogue he has organized, scheduled for Madrid on July 16. This medical information provides some detail into the King's health and longevity, and is provided to Washington for additional analysis. END COMMENT.

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